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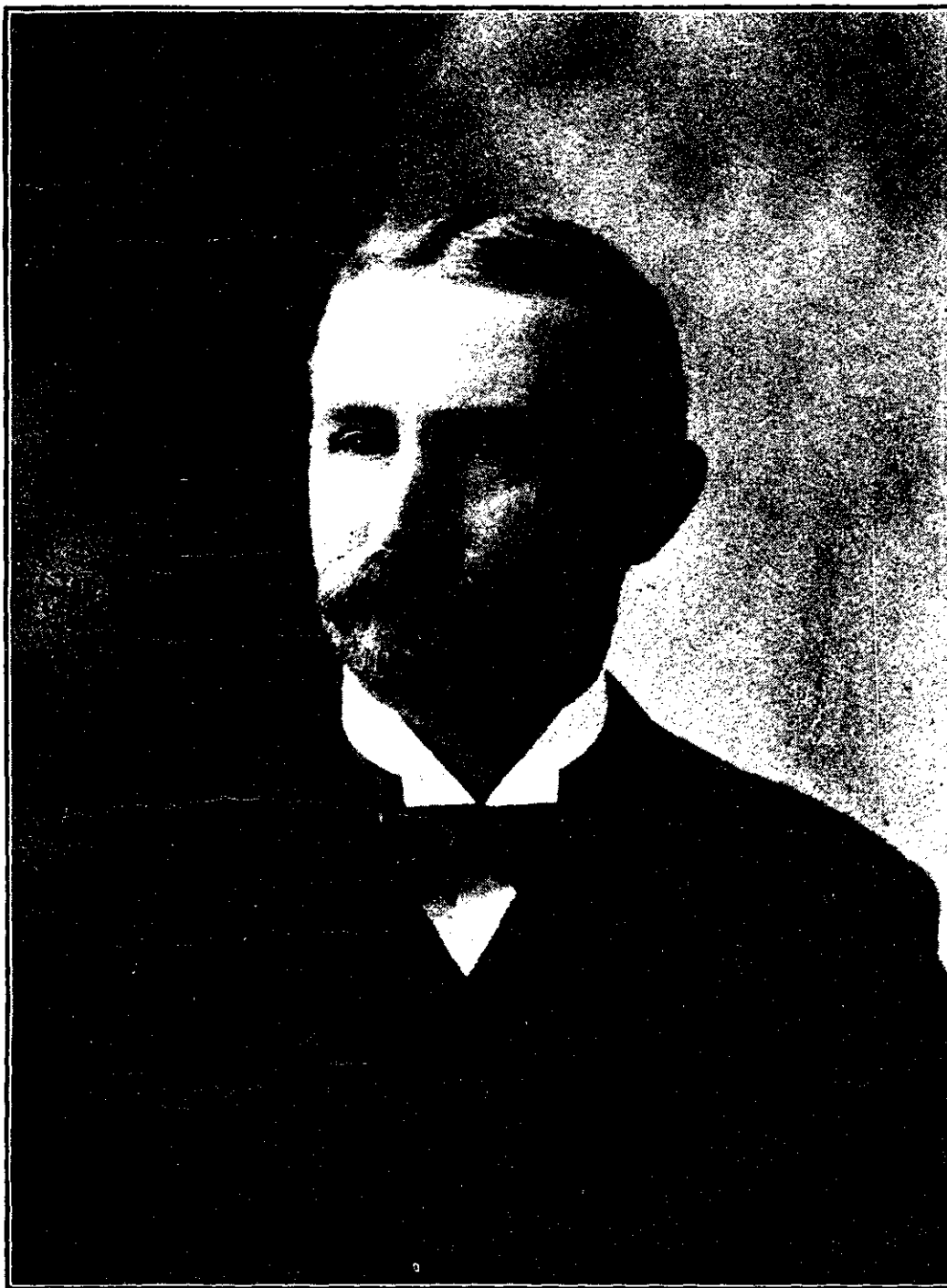
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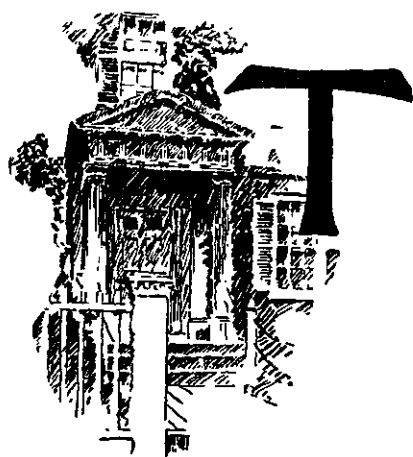
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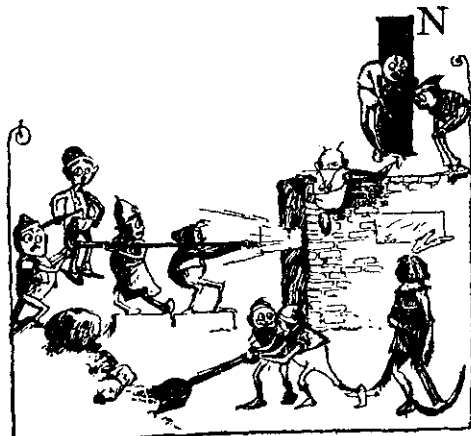
THE announcement of the selection of Professor Henry S. Pritchett as the next President of the Institute came as a surprise to many, but it has, nevertheless, caused universal satisfaction, and we can but congratulate ourselves in having secured a man so eminently fitted for the position. The administration of the affairs of the Institute requires, in addition to a thorough technical knowledge, great execu-

tive ability and organizing power, and these qualifications Professor Pritchett possesses in a remarkable degree. His work as an astronomer and mathematician is well known both in this country and in Europe, and the present efficient condition of the United States Coast and Geodetic Survey stands a monument to his organizing and administrative power. The selection of a man from outside to fill our Executive Chair seems to us a wise move. As a general principle, the infusion of new blood into any enterprise whatever results beneficially, and with the advent of Professor Pritchett, we look forward to seeing the scope of Technology's educational work still further broadened and still more advanced.



AFTER a most discouraging season, resulting with one victory, the M. I. T. Hockey Team has petitioned the Advisory Council on Athletics for T's as a reward for their work. It is all well and good in its way and shows the honor in which a T is held, but it seems, according to past and present standards, to be going a little too far in the matter and asking for more than the team really deserves. The granting of T's has heretofore been restricted to the track and football teams and it seems as though hockey should hardly be classed with such sports. If the concession were made in the present case, following along the same line of procedure, we might soon see T's being granted to the tennis champions, the cross-country runners and the minor athletic teams. It is a significant fact that very few, if any, colleges grant a letter to hockey

players and it certainly is not for us to establish the precedent, and upon such slight grounds.



IN another column will be found the detailed report of the treasury of the M. I. T. Football Association. Strict economy has been the watchword this year, and the team did not even get sweaters or caps, which really are due to the members, after working faithfully during the entire season. The itemized expenditures show nothing beyond the most absolute necessities, and the team has been managed in a manner which entitles it to careful consideration and assistance. Many of those who last fall pledged subscriptions toward the support of the team now repudiate their promises, and although such a condition of affairs is deplorable, nevertheless the present has been an improvement on past years, and a very much brighter record and outlook than usual. Too much emphasis can never be laid on the all powerful importance of the support of the undergraduates, *en masse*, which wields a very efficient weapon, enough money, for a successful football team.



IN the death of Professor Holman, of which notice is given in another column, Technology loses an honored and beloved member of her Faculty. Although obliged by a lingering illness to give up all active work for the last few years of his life, he retained to the last his interest in the Institute to which he had devoted his best endeavors. His work in developing the course in experimental work in the Physical Laboratory deserves special mention, and has, together with numer-

ous articles from his pen, done much to make the value of laboratory practise more thoroughly appreciated in educational circles. Professor Holman's death is mourned by all who knew him, and THE TECH joins with the entire Institute in extending heartfelt sympathy to his family.

Civil Engineering Society Dinner.

The third, and by far the most successful annual dinner of the Civil Engineering Society was held at the United States Hotel last Friday evening. Eighty-three sat down to dinner, including the professors and instructors having charge of the Civil Engineering Course. A good dinner was served and heartily enjoyed by all present. After the last course had been disposed of, Mr. Russell Suter, president of the Society, called the company to order, and after a few preliminary remarks, introduced Mr. F. H. Cooke, '00, as toastmaster of the evening. Mr. Cooke performed his duties most acceptably and kept the company in a state of laughter by his stories and his introductions of the various speakers of the evening. The toasts were ably responded to by some of the professors and instructors present. Messrs. E. J. Proulx and Lewis Emery, III., varied the program by furnishing some most acceptable music. Following is a list of the toasts and speakers:

Professor Swain, "Ethics of the Profession;" Mr. F. P. McKibben, "Vacation;" Mr. Watts, "On Trying;" Professor Allen, "Engineering Societies;" Professor Burton, "Physical Training;" Mr. C. M. Spofford, "Plans for the New Tech. Gymnasium;" Professor Dwight Porter, "Scholarship." Professor Robbins was to have responded to the toast on "Vacation" but was prevented by illness.

THE TECH Tea will be held Friday afternoon, April 27th.

Henry S. Pritchett.

Dr. Henry S. Pritchett, who is to succeed Professor Crafts as President of the Institute, was born April 26th, 1857, at Fayette, Missouri. The early part of his student life he spent in the city of his birth and he was graduated from the Central College in Fayette. In 1876 he continued under Professor Asaph Wall, of the Naval Observatory at Washington, the study of mathematics and astronomy which have been his special subjects of work. He finished his student career at the University of Munich, where he received his degree of Ph. D.

Dr. Pritchett's professional history has been one of rapid advance. He began as computer in the Naval Observatory at Washington, but was soon, in 1878, made assistant astronomer. In 1880 he was appointed head astronomer at the Morrison Observatory, where his father had been director for many years, and the next year, though a young man of but twenty-four years of age, he became assistant professor of mathematics and astronomy in the Washington University of St. Louis. With this institution, Dr. Pritchett was connected until 1897, when he received the high government position which he now occupies, but which he will in a few months vacate to become the President of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

During the sixteen years of his professorship in St. Louis, Dr. Pritchett did not confine his attention entirely to the work in the University of Washington. In 1882, he was appointed astronomer to the Transit-of-Venus expedition to New Zealand. He spent a summer travelling through India, China, Japan and New Zealand, making pendulum observations for the government for determining the figure of the earth. It was on his return from this journey that he received a full professorship of mathematics and astronomy from the Washington University.

Dr. Pritchett has been for many years the President of the St. Louis Academy of Sciences, and at present he represents the United States in the International Association for the Exact Measurement of the Earth. Besides filling these various positions, Professor Pritchett has devoted himself with great diligence to original investigation in his specialties, and he has made many valuable contributions to the sciences of mathematics and geodesy.

In 1897 President McKinley called Dr. Pritchett to be the head of the oldest department of the government, the Geodetic Survey at Washington, D. C. Here he showed his great administrative ability. He took charge when the bureau had become badly demoralized through political influences; and by him the department has been thoroughly reorganized and perfected. He has instituted new methods which have a broad and comprehensive scope and which have proved to the highest degree successful. The acquisition of the Spanish islands as a result of the late war placed extra duties upon the head of the geodetic survey, and Dr. Pritchett has shown himself capable of performing them. Perhaps one of his most important works in regard to these islands has been the complete revision of the charts of Porto Rico. He will continue in the service of the government until he comes to Boston to take up his duties in the Institute.

Dr. Pritchett's career has been a brief one, but it has been one to give him a deep scientific knowledge and to develop business skill and tact. He is now comparatively a young man, for in three weeks will come only his forty-third birthday. Into the management of Institute affairs, Dr. Pritchett will bring, therefore, the energy of youth, the knowledge of scientific subjects, but most of all he will bring a mind framed to deal with the problems and details of administration.

Senior Class-Day Elections.

The election of Class-Day officers was held on Wednesday, the twenty-eighth, with the following results:

First Marshal, Percy R. Ziegler; Second Marshal, Walter L. Rapp; Third Marshal, Marcy L. Sperry; Historian, Herbert M. MacMaster; Orator, Charles V. Merrick; Prophet, Frederick H. Cooke; Poet, Herbert H. Howe; Statistician, N. J. Neall. The Class-Day Committee is formed as follows: Barney, Chase, Batcheller, Dutton, Hough, Jouett, H. E. Osgood, Lawrence, Roberts, Chaffee, Collier, Stewart, Sears, Leonard and Macpherson. On account of the importance of the occasion, a brief account is given below of the three Marshals.

First Marshal, Percy Rolfe Zeigler, was born in Roxbury, Mass., June 28, 1878. He prepared for the Institute at the Mechanic Arts High School, graduating in the Class of '96. While at Mechanic Arts he played on the school's football team during his Senior year. He entered Technology in the fall of '96 with the Class of 1900, taking the course in Mechanical Engineering. He made the Glee Club during his Freshman year and has sung at each of 1900's Class dinners. He is President of the Mechanic Arts High School Alumni Association and a member of Phi Gamma Delta Fraternity.

Second Marshal, Walter Louis Rapp, was born at Cincinnati, Ohio, March 8, 1878. He prepared for the Institute at the Walnut Hills High School of Cincinnati, holding the office of Class President during his Senior year. He entered the Institute with the Class of 1900, taking Option I. in the the course in Architecture. In the Junior year he was Class President and a member of the Junior Prom. Committee. He was a member of the 1900 *Technique* Electoral Committee and was subsequently chosen Society Editor. Mr. Rapp is a member of the Mandaman Club,

Hammer and Tongs Society, the Architectural Society and Delta Upsilon Fraternity.

Third Marshal, Marcy Leavenworth Sperry, was born Oct. 5, 1877, at Annapolis, Maryland. His preparatory work was completed at Pratt Institute, Brooklyn, N. Y. Entering Technology he took both the course in Mechanical and the course in Electrical Engineering. At the commencement of the fourth year, however, he decided to devote himself entirely to the work in Course II. He was a member of the Junior Prom. Committee and Secretary of L'Avenir before its disbandment. At the Senior Class Dinner he answered to the toast on "Moments of Inertia of the Future." Mr. Sperry is also a member of Delta Psi Fraternity.

The Football Election.

At a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Football Association the following nominations were made: for president, J. B. Laws, P. G. L. Hilken; for vice-president, C. T. Bilyea, H. P. McDonald; for sec'y-treas., D. D. Field, R. Proctor, Jr.; for representative to the Advisory Council, H. W. Maxson; for members of Executive Committee: 1901, R. M. Derby, B. H. Glover, W. Whipple; 1902, A. W. Allyn, C. E. McCarthy, H. B. Pond; 1903, H. W. M. Storer, W. H. Evans, G. B. Hood. The election will take place in Rogers corridor, Monday, April 9th.

The February issue of the *Bulletin de la Société d'Encouragement pour l'Industrie Nationale* contains an article on "An apparatus for Testing Injectors," by Mr. C. F. Park of the Institute. The article was taken from the September number of the *Technology Quarterly*. The apparatus devised by Mr. Park is now used at the Instituté in the Engineering Laboratory. The *Bulletin* is the leading French scientific journal.

The Medicine Man.

The public dress rehearsal of the "Medicine Man" was held on Tuesday afternoon, April 3rd, at the Hollis Street Theatre. It is impossible in reviewing the performance not to compare it with the minstrel show which was produced under similar conditions last year, and it is needless to say that the improvement this year is marked all along the line. The rehearsal was gone through with very few noticeable mistakes, a circumstance very different from the case of last year. There was one defect, however, and there was some trouble last year, and that is that the chorus work lacked volume. This will undoubtedly be remedied at to-morrow's performance if the confidence which the dress rehearsal gives is as good as it was last year. The plot of the play is very simple and is briefly the adventures of a Yankee peddler, who, having fallen into the hands of a tribe of Indians — the Wallahoos — is made finally their medicine man.

The performance is divided into two acts, and on account of the simplicity of the plot, allows a considerable range for individual specialties. Among the principals, the work of Emery, Derby and Merrick was the most pleasing, although Emery did not sing with sufficient volume, and Merrick somehow overdid the Yankee peddler. Brownell was made up well and understood his part, although his singing needs improvement, to equal his acting. The vocal work between Brush, Emery and Merrick was enthusiastically appreciated by the audience and was encored several times. The music throughout was pleasing, although the ballet music was not so "catchy" as the rest. The song of Clover, sung by Lewis Emery, was perhaps the most attractive work in this line, though in regard to the quality of the music, opinions are likely to differ very considerably. The costuming of the piece was pleasing with few exceptions,

and the principals were well gotten up and with considerable care.

The feature of the whole production, however, which gave most satisfaction throughout the audience was the dancing. This was indeed exceedingly good; the work of the Brownies and the dance by Allan W. Rowe were especially effective. As for the main ballet, the costumes somewhat detracted from the effects, due to the harshness of the colors, but the movements and steps were complex and cleverly done.

In general, the performance was admirable but the chorus work lacked precision and there was a considerable tendency on the part of those in the chorus to pay too much attention to the audience and not enough to Mr. Mullaly's baton. Some of the principals wanted ease of stage presence and thus destroyed in a measure the favorable impression made by their otherwise very creditable work. With the chorus brightened up, and more snap and dash throughout, the final performance should be a really remarkable and thoroughly pleasing show and one which, when it is remembered that it was only last year that the first of these entertainments, was given, will reflect great credit on the energy and perseverance of those who have had the movement in hand. The next issue of THE TECH will be a special number devoted principally to the "Medicine Man" and will give a full account of to-morrow's performance. THE TECH wishes the show the greatest success.

Your goil has di'mond eyes,
An' lovely golden hair,
And pearly teet'? Gowan!
Yer stingin' me for fair.
No sell?

Mine is a cross-eyed rag,
But she can spiel all night.
Wot if she never had no teet'—
She t'inks dat I'm all right.
Wotell!— Ex.

Silas W. Holman.

Silas W. Holman, emeritus Professor of Physics at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, died at his home in Brookline on Sunday, April 1st. In his death the school loses one of its most loyal sons and most eminent teachers. Mr. Holman was appointed Assistant in Physics on his graduation in 1876, and has remained on the instructing staff continuously since that time, although prevented from actual attendance by illness during the past few years. He has been a member of the Faculty since 1882.

Professor Holman's character was a rare combination of acute powers of observation, clear and exact mental processes, broad and fine sympathies, high standards of thought and action, and unusual personal charm. A student and graduate of the Institute in its earlier years, he apprehended its fundamental principles most completely and exemplified them fully both in his direct teaching and in his notes and text-books. This reputation gained by his important scientific researches and publications extended far beyond local boundaries.

The inevitable progress of a painful malady has year by year impaired and at last destroyed his physical powers. His work at the Institute was at first interrupted, then suspended; but conditions which would have overwhelmed most men only served to bring his moral and intellectual strength into higher relief. His patience under suffering almost concealed it even from his friends. His interest in the Institute and in his science, physics, never flagged. Even when eyesight had long failed with the progress of disease, he continued difficult literary work, producing a remarkable philosophic treatise entitled "Matter, Energy, Force and Work." To his colleagues, and especially to his juniors, whose visits were always welcomed, his

mature, reflective view of the principles underlying their daily work were a source of inspiration, rivalling in value his cheerful unchanging fortitude. From being a teacher of students, he came to be in some measure a teacher of teachers. Such a man could not lack for faithful friendship. Most fortunate home relations have been fitly supplemented by the loyal affection of class-mates and friends. His memory will long be cherished by them.

Senior Theses.

COURSE II.

Harry E. Osgood. Mill Option. "Investigation of the action of air lift pumps."

Paul R. Brooks. Locomotive Option. "Test on a 10-wheel compound passenger locomotive." With E. G. Allen.

Gerald Frink. Locomotive Option. "Design of Logging Locomotive."

Otto C. Thanisch. "Pneumatic Tools."

Warren A. Edson. Mill Option. "Some effects of hardening and tempering on steel."

Frank N. Horton. "The variation of coefficient of friction at different speeds of slip between leather belt and cast iron, leather belt and wood, and leather belt and fibre." With Subr.

Frederick D. Buffum. "Investigation of an axial oil machine."

Marcy L. Sperry. "Efficiency of Hancock Water Ejector."

R. G. Burnham. "A study of a shaft governor." With T. D. Perry.

Herbert O. Keay. "Design for combined erecting, machine and boiler shops for a locomotive repair plant."

Albert G. A. Schmidt. "Design for an ice-making plant."

Clarence C. Brown. "Wave form from phasing transformer." With R. M. Hopkins.

I. Osgood. "Application of a condenser to a wool drying machine."

T. D. Perry. "Study of the shaft governor."

J. S. Croswell. "Co-efficient of friction in the roller bearing."

L. S. Smith. "The effect of pressures upon explosive mixtures of gas and air." With S. M. Manley.

P. R. Ziegler. "Test of a water ejector." With M. L. Sperry.

J. L. Hern. "Determination of the line of resistance in a masonry arch."

S. M. Manley. "Effect of pressure upon explosive mixtures of gas and air."

C. W. PenDell. "Determination of the line of thrust in a brick arch." With J. L. Hern.

M. L. Sperry. "Efficiency of Hancock water ejector."

COURSE V.

Warren W. Sanders. "Application of the Friedel-Crafts reaction."

R. Wilfred Balcom. "The preparation of an ϵ oxy-acid and a study of its properties."

Charles E. Baldwin. "Properties of cellulose tetracetate."

Lewellyn L. Cayvan. "Determination of phosphates in minute quantities and its application to sewage detection in potable waters."

Harry M. Thayer. "Investigation of methods for the extraction of zinc from burned pyrites."

F. H. McCrudder. "Investigation of the oxidation products of methylene diarsine."

J. W. Brown. "The isolation of formic aldehyde as a product of the partial oxidation of ethyl alcohol and certain other organic compounds."

A. C. Melcher. "A study of metallic ammonium compounds."

C. Ellis. I. "A physico-chemical investigation of the salts of gold." II. "The action of light on oxalic acid."

COURSE X.

Albert S. Merrill. "Tests on the breaking strength of mercerized cotton yarns."

Harrison E. Ashley. "A study of the alloys of tellurium and antimony."

Stanley G. H. Fitch. "The mercerization of cotton, with the addition of aluminates, silicates, glycerine, and glucosides to the mercerization bath."

F. B. Dutton. "Investigation of a process for making a paper stock from flax fibre."

H. T. Shapley. "An investigation of the action of size upon cotton yarn and function of sizing compounds."

Calendar.

Thursday, April 5.—Meeting of *Die Gesellschaft*, 11 Pierce Building, 4.15 P. M. Lecture by Professor E. B. Homer, on "Roads Which I Have Traveled," before the Civil Engineering Society. 42 Pierce Building, 4.15 P. M.

Wednesday, April 11.—Architectural Society Meeting. 42 Pierce Building, 4 P. M. Technique Electoral Committee Election.

Saturday April 14.—Cross Country Run.

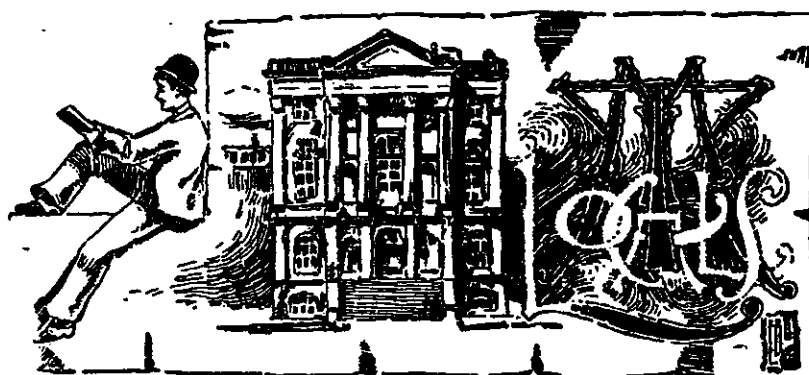
Tuesday, April 24.—Glee Club Spring Concert. Paul Revere Hall.

Wednesday, April 25.—Walker Club Play, "The Miser." Copley Hall.

Thursday, April 26.—Junior Promenade.

Friday, April 27.—TECH Tea, TECH Office.

Saturday, May 5.—Annual Dinner Chauncy Hall Club.



On March 28th Mr. Fuller, assistant instructor in biology, conducted a party to Medford to examine a dyke which is an excellent illustration of rock disintegration by atmospheric agencies.

On last Tuesday evening the M. I. T. Mandolin and Banjo clubs played in Allston, at a concert, the other attraction of which was the Radcliffe Glee Club. The latter fairly carried off the palm from the Tech. clubs, which, however, appeared to good advantage; but the work of the girls was very good indeed. A reception and collation followed, and the whole affair added a very charming evening to the many pleasant recollections of the members of the Tech. clubs.

The fourth-year option in Locomotive Design made its excursion to Philadelphia last week. Owing to the illness of Professor Lanza, Mr. Russell represented him. The party left Boston Thursday on the Air Line, limited, and spent all day Friday at the Baldwin Locomotive Works, the largest in the world. Saturday afternoon they came up to New York and visited and inspected two fine examples of the sky-scraper steel-building construction, and returned in small parties. This trip is of the greatest importance, fixing the theory by the object lesson of seeing the work actually performed, from the specifications, through the draughting-room, and shop, till the finished locomotive is inspected and shipped. The members of the party desire publicly to acknowledge the many courtesies shown them everywhere.



McDonald and Winchester have begun outdoor work with the shot.

Regular practice of the 1902 baseball team began on April second on the Irvington Oval.

Mr. W. L. Cook, '02, has been elected assistant manager of the Varsity Foot Ball team for 1900.

Representatives from Tech. and Brown met last week in regard to arranging for a dual meet. The date has not yet been selected nor have any particulars been decided.

Owing to the bad weather last Saturday the Hare and Hounds' Run was postponed for a week. The men who came out took a run to Coolidge Corner. Pember, '02, led in with Joseph, '03, following in good style.

J. W. Wentworth, '00, who has heretofore done so much for Tech. in track work may not be able to participate this year on account of the lack of necessary time. His withdrawal from the team is a great loss as he is a regular point winner.

Mr. Ray Murray has arranged for four competitions in which the bicycle squad will compete this spring. On April 19th there will be a team race with Amherst at Charles River Park; on April 28th the squad will participate in the dual meet which will probably be held with Brown at Hills Grove, Providence. Early in May will come our own spring championship games, and on the 19th of May the N. E. I. A. A. meet will take place, the bicycle races being held at Charles River Park.

The Football Season of 1899.

It may seem rather late to give a résumé of last year's Football season; however this is not the fault of the management, but directly due to the lack of spirit shown by the collectors and students at large.

The season was disappointing in many respects. When the 'varsity lined up for the first game this fall every man was almost sure of his position for the entire season, because there were no candidates to wrest it from him; a condition which would ruin any team in the country. The "scrub" was not what it should have been. Sometimes the team did get an eleven to play against; and then, did two or three hundred Tech. students turn out to cheer and incite them to harder playing, as at other colleges? No, a thousand times, no. There was one great trouble. A "scrub" man receives absolutely nothing in the shape of a reward for his services, and his is the hardest kind of work.

Glancing over the past season we find much to lament. Few indeed answered Captain Jouett's call for early practice, but we could not expect anything much better, since so few of the '98 team returned. Then again the coaching was not up to the standard required to turn out a winning team. The team as a whole was weak; the line did not play together as they should have done; they sometimes lacked dash and the ginger to make them successful; their tackling was often weak. But the fault was not only with the line, the backs were often just as bad. The interference was sometimes poor and lack of team play noticeable. This was no doubt due to the lack of practice, owing to the absence of a proper scrub.

There is no reason why we should be discouraged simply because we have had an off year. We were practically laying the foundations for next year's team. The games were not much harder than those of previous years, but the team was clearly not the equal of those turned out in former seasons. It is not intended in any way to cast discredit on Captain Jouett. It was simply unfortunate that this reconstruction should have taken place during his term of captaincy. Surely with nearly all of this year's team and substitutes back next fall the outlook is unusually bright and we may expect the season to be a successful one.

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL GERHARD L. HILKEN,

Sec'y and Treas. F. B. A.

Annual Report of the Treasurer of the
M. I. T. Football Association.
Season of 1899.

RECEIPTS.

In subscription from student body	\$200.41
From H. R. Collier, Manager	443.33
From tickets sold by Treasurer	30.50
From 1903 } Damages to flag-pole at S. E. Grounds	10.00
From 1902 }	

\$685.24

EXPENDITURES.

Cash to W. R. Collier, Manager	\$268.50
To E. N. Wrightington, Coach	225.00
Wright and Ditson, Supplies	86.19
Croke Printing Co.	23.00
John Hagerty, damages to flag-pole at S. E. Grounds	10.00
A. A. Remier, Y. M. C. A.	10.00
Lockers at Gymnasium	7.50
Louis Brown at Gymnasium.	5.15
Private car to Boston College Game	6.00

General Expenses.

Postage	\$2.92
Telegrams and Telephones	1.01
Cash Box	.80
Box at Cage	1.50
Captain's Expenses	.55
Cleats on Shoes	4.20
2 Order Books for Manager	2.00
Account Book	.33
100 Collector's Blanks	1.50
	14.81

\$656.15

Received	\$685.24
Expended	656.15

Cash on hand	\$29.09
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The Liabilities of the Association are:

To E. N. Wrightington, Coach	\$60.00
Wright & Ditson, Supplies	77.61

\$137.61

Assets: cash on hand	29.09
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Deficit	\$108.52
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'91. H. E. Hathaway, formerly chemist for the Silver Spring Bleach & Dye Works, Providence, is now with the Walrich Bleachery, Delwanna, N. J.

'93. W. T. Knowlton, I., is assistant engineer in the construction of a sewage system for Honolulu.

'99. Clarence Moore has lately left the N. H. State Cambric Works and has accepted a position with the American Steel & Wire Co. of Worcester.

'99. Philip Burgess, XI., is with C. W. Leavitt, Jr., civil engineer, of New York City.

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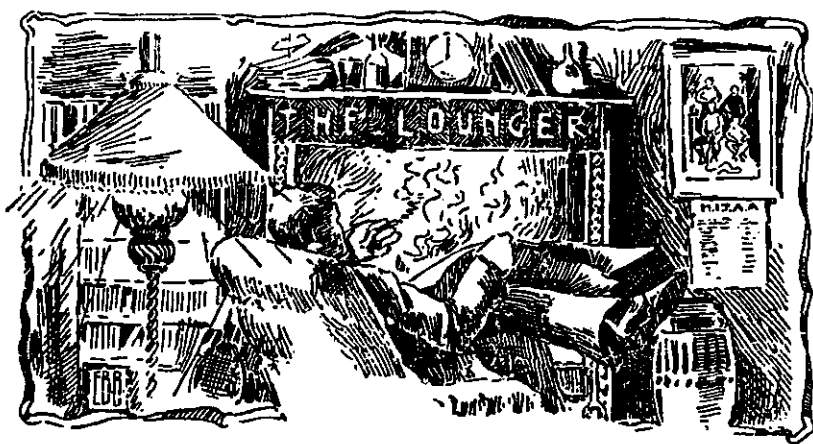


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THE LOUNGER resigns! Bitter and sorrowladen as the act may be to his admiring relatives who read his page of THE TECH regularly every Friday morning, he hereby unequivocally and emphatically states his intention of severing his connection with that enterprising and altogether desirable periodical known as THE TECH. In thus committing what would at first blush seem to be a form of literary suicide, he appreciates that a just consideration for the mental volatility of his Editor-in-Chief and the opinions of his readers demands that some reason be given for this unwonted—even if *not* unwanted—action on his part. The reason is simple and brief. THE LOUNGER is not going to commit editorial self-annihilation, or if he is, it is only that he may be instantly resurrected and, “like the fabled phoenix, rise again” into a higher and more congenial sphere of literary activity. The fact is, he has been offered a more desirable job. A new periodical is about to be inaugurated and driven into the Institute population, and for this THE LOUNGER is going to throw up his present position. The new publication, a rival that promises to be its own *alpha* and THE TECH’s *omega* at one and the same time, is to be issued by a band of coeducationaists from the M. Cheney editorial-rooms. The Co-eds, in other words, are going to run a paper. This is soon to appear under the enervating title of *The Coedex*, or the *Coedine*, THE LOUNGER has forgotten which, and it will contain a regular serialized earthquake by himself, meeting the eye of the public under the headings alternately used of *The Oyster-crut at the Supper-table*, and *Over the Hic-cups*. Subscription is solicited and THE TECH is willing to receive commiseration until half-past three on Tuesday afternoon. At that time everything goes to press; and in the press of matters, THE TECH can receive nothing less important than protested bills.



Surprised, shocked, grieved, hurt, and pained, THE LOUNGER ponders on the recent menace to the sanctity of the Institute. In the ancient days of primeval New England, when savage tribes in conflagratory war-paint wandered over the site of our

cultured Technology, the Medicine Man was considered as the chief Priest of the tribe, and due obeisance was accorded him on that account. Those days, THE LOUNGER had until recently fondly supposed, were past and gone with the ignoble red-man himself; but present conditions testify to the error of so felicitous a conclusion. One has been found at the Institute who has assumed the cagliostroic title for himself, and many are the braves who have grouped themselves in religious zest about their leader. This is of itself portentous and grievous news, that so many misguided zealots should rise to the adoration of a new Brahminist pretender; but the evil has come even more closely home to the hearts of all devoted M. I. T. Y. M. C. A. members, like THE LOUNGER. At the last day of the Sabbath, a day devoted by all right-minded students to spiritual communion and chapellary observance, ceremonies were held by this band in their old temple of the Hollis, of a most pagan character. Hymns were indulged in—but Shades of Pasquanoag! what hymns! Incantations were offered—and spirit of King Philip! what incantations! Remotely indeed, they might resemble those of the sect of oriental worshippers known as Whirling Dervishes; but even these people are distinguished by long flowing robes, not by such extremely gauzy and cursory (to speak figuratively) apparel as is characteristic of the heathen of the Hollis.

Poster Poetry for Posterity.

I was with a lovely lady,
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On a pretty Paris poster
On the *Rue de Rivoli*.

And polite and proper persons,
With Parisian *pruderie*,
Would stare and shrug their shoulders
As they stood in shoals to see.

But we shocked the saintly censors
To a very high degree
With our lovely lilac linen
And they would n't let us be.

And they had the nerve among 'em
To devise the dire decree
That we could no longer linger
Without longer *lingerie*.—Ex.

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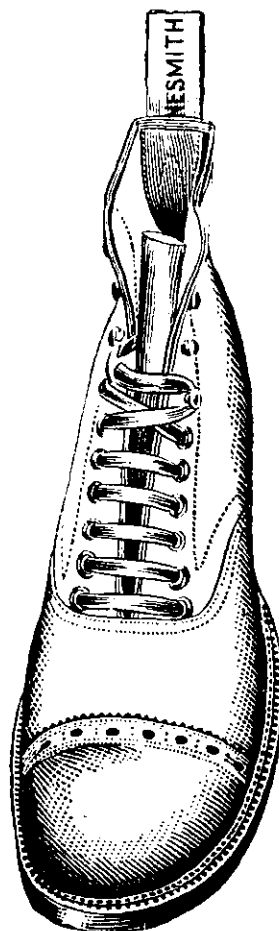
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Hollis Street Theatre. — Annie Russell is well known in "Catherine" of last year, but her "Miss Hobbs" as presented in Boston last week is far superior in many ways and will be long remembered. Miss Gilbert and Charles Richmond, both of the late Augustin Daly's company, have roles next in importance to that of Miss Russell.

Tremont Theatre. — "The Runaway Girl" will be presented for its last week. Its scenic environment is most picturesque, the costumes are brilliant and nothing has been left undone to make the piece in its entirety the most acceptable entertainment of its class. The Daly company is again this season headed by the irrepressible comedian, James T. Powers.

Castle Square Theatre. — Another notable comedy attraction is announced at this theatre the coming week, this being the English adaption, by Hawtrey, of the German play "Der Bibliothekar" which, under the title "The Private Secretary," has made a laughing success in former seasons throughout England and America. The production of the play in this country, by William Gillette, proved to be a great success.

Columbia Theatre. — "Mam'zelle 'Awkins" has undergone many changes since it was first presented to the public about two months ago. In each case the play is much improved and goes with plenty of snap and life. Josephine Hall, who takes the role of Honorah Hawkins, is entitled to all the praise she receives for the clever way she handles her part.

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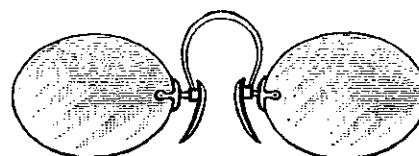
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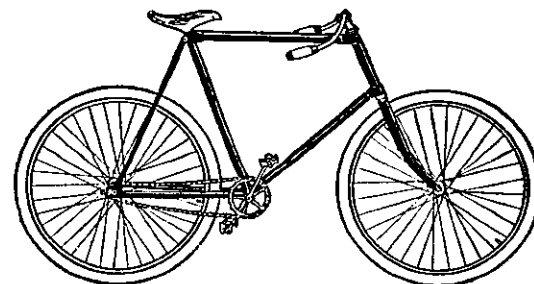
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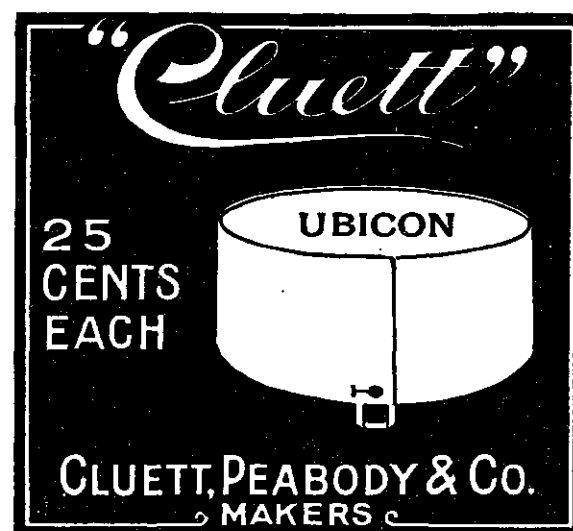
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